## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

**Ex parte NAOHITO TOMOE** 

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Appeal No. 2002-1129 Application 09/225,245 JUL 1 8 2002

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## ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on 15 May 2002 (Paper No. 15). It is not apparent from the record that the examiner considered the statement submitted nor notified applicants of why their submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

## Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the Examiner for such consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be promptly informed of any action affecting the appeal in this case.

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